

# BIG SANDY NEWS.

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## BABY KILLED.

Brother's Age Eight Years,  
Accidentally Discharges  
Shotgun.

### Violent Death in Same Family.

The saddest accidents that occurred in this county took place on Rove creek, not far from here, on Wednesday evening last week.

A five-months-old baby of Sherranhorn was shot and instantly killed by its little brother, age eight years.

The mother was working in the yard and had the children with her. She thought the gun was for the baby, when she put the little boy into the house. He put the gun on a table and looking around for some one to amuse him, he picked up the gun sitting in the corner. Not knowing the gun was loaded, he pulled the trigger and the bullet came out and struck the baby in the head. The baby was discharged and the head was blown off. The mother ran to the house and was killed by the awful sight.

Mrs. Vanhorn had a child killed to death about a year ago.

### Serious Accident.

Thursday of last week James Vanhorn, one of the C. and O. bridge workers, sustained an accident while at work. He was working on the bridge over the Rove creek, and was standing under a trestle bridge undergoing repair, and had just picked up a tool, when a heavy beam fell upon him. It struck him in the left shoulder blade and in his head. The force of the blow knocked him down and he lay on the ground for some time. He was brought to his home in Louisa where he is now lying under the care of the doctors.

The injuries were very severe and a deep gash was cut in the side of the skull and the head badly bruised. There was a fracture of the forehead, and his face and both eyes were swollen and out where his face struck the ground.

Stump will be laid up several longer. His shoulder position is such that saved him from instant death.

### The Old Burning Spring

The hundred acres of land in the town of Louisa, which was sold by order of Court. The land contains the famous Burning Spring, nearly opposite the mouth of Rove creek. Martin county.

The latest litigation over the property was between J. L. Caldwell, a prominent banker of Huntington, and Henrietta Dalmagefield, whose husband was a famous furman. At the trial, the bidding was for a very low figure, and was won by the property was finally sold down to Mrs. Dalmagefield's representatives at \$11,995.00. It is reported, however, that other bidders will put in an upset bid before the confirmation of the sale. The property was originally in the hands of Col. G. R. Caldwell, of Virginia, and Col. A. B. Caldwell. They died many years ago, and their representatives have ever been litigating the questions of the matter. The case has been in the courts since before the war. Burning Springs was drilled shortly after the war, was left open, set on fire, and burned for many years, consuming the whole country. It is one of the greatest gas wells in the country, and is one of the main sources for the pipe lines of the Natural Gas Company, connecting Portsmouth, Ironton, Catlettsburg, Ashland, Central City and Huntington and other towns.

The Louisa friends of Lieut. and Mrs. Vanhorn are glad to welcome them to Louisa. They arrived from Cincinnati Tuesday and are domiciled in the Brunswick.

## A Noble Charity.

The Kentucky Children's Home Society is non-sectarian. It seeks to place in good homes the homeless, destitute children of the State, regardless of the church affiliation of the parents. The Society carefully endeavors to find suitable homes for its wards. After their placement the Society maintains a systematic watch-care over them, removing them when the relations are discovered not to be for the best interests of the child.

Foster parents are required to love, clothe, feed, educate and give religious advantages as to a natural child.

The most needy child is the most earnest sought. The unfortunate child cannot escape the efforts of the Society to relieve it.

Every part of the State is becoming well organized for the Society's operations. The mountains are a fruitful field for child-saving.

In the year 1887, the Society began its work in Kentucky. In the brief period of ten years nine hundred children have come under the guardianship of the Society and have been placed in family homes. In addition fifteen hundred children have been benefitted through the Aid Department. The National Children's Home Society of which the Kentucky Children's Home Society is a branch now embraces twenty-nine States, and has placed in homes about 5,000 children.

Beyond the current expenses funds are now greatly needed to build and equip a much needed hospital for the sick and crippled children. To aid in our work of the parent and most generous benevolence we earnestly seek a contribution annually from every good citizen of the State. "He that hath pity on the poor lendeth unto the Lord."

## THE CONTEST.

Vote of the Various Candidates  
for the Jamestown  
Trip.

DISTRICT A.	No. Votes.
Miss Klara Bow, Warrick.	7749
Mrs. Fannie Wade, Louisa.	6980
Miss Janet O'Brien, Louisa.	6120
Miss Minnie Elmer, Louisa.	5460
Miss Emma Carr, Louisa.	3215
Mrs. Nancy Preston, Louisa.	5
Miss Ida Roberts, Louisa.	2

DISTRICT B.	No. Votes.
Miss Kerta Cooper, Churches.	1050
Mrs. Mary Queen, Churches.	520
Miss Lillie Chambers, Hitep.	15
Mrs. Dora Woods, Webbville.	5

DISTRICT C.	No. Votes.
George Cook, Churches.	500
Miss Ethel Swann, Withers.	1425
Mrs. Julia Allen, Lowmansville.	105
Mrs. J. W. Hinkle, Richmond.	1

Above is a correct summary of the candidates and their votes up to Thursday morning of this week. All ballots will be preserved so that any question that might arise may be settled beyond question.

We expect to have the contest party stop over in Richmond, Va., which is a very interesting city, because of the important part played there in the history of this country. Also, on the return trip we hope to arrange to come from Norfolk to Washington City by steamer, stopping en route at Mt. Vernon, the home of George Washington. Washington is the city of greatest interest to every citizen of the United States.

From Norfolk there will be side trips to Virginia Beach and Old Point Comfort, two of the most popular bathing resorts on the Atlantic coast. A dip in the ocean and a view of this great, restless body of water is alone worth the cost of a trip.

Don't you think all of this is worth an effort? If you would like such a trip free of cost, or if you have a friend that you want to have the benefit of this great opportunity, now is the time to enter the contest.

The contest has not yet fairly started through the county, but if there are any other prospective candidates they should enter the race without further delay. Do not put it off too long. This is an opportunity that you can not afford to neglect. It will never come to you again.

## SERIOUS WRECK

On C. & O. Near Maysville. Big  
Sandy People Hurt.

### MRS. PHERIGO AND J. C. C. MAYO'S CHILD.

The rear car carried by the C. & O. railroad's F. F. V. train No. 2 turned over at Brassiers, four miles west of Maysville, Wednesday afternoon, rolled down an embankment fifty feet high.

A large number of persons were injured and one was killed. The latter was Mrs. Mary L. Halley, of Milwaukee, Wis. Her husband, Judge Lawrence Halley, is fatally injured. Mrs. Pherigo, of Pikeville, is also thought to be fatally injured, her back having been broken in the wreck. She was formerly a Miss Ford, daughter of Harry Ford. Mrs. Lazarre, of St. Louis, is also fatally injured.

Mrs. Biddy Moriarity Burkea, trained nurse of Ashland, sustained very painful injuries. In her care was little Margaret Mayo, aged about one year, daughter of J. C. C. Mayo, of Paducah. The child received a few bruises and a cut on the head, but is not seriously hurt. The news of the affair almost prostrated Mrs. Mayo, who was in Cincinnati, where she and the baby had been in a hospital for several weeks.

Mrs. Ironton Kelley, of Ashland, was injured quite severely. There is a long list of the injured, but above covers those known to our readers.

The wreck was caused by the rails spreading. The injured were taken to Ashland and are being cared for in the hospital.

### Notice in Bankruptcy.

In the District Court of the United States, for the Eastern District of Kentucky, in Bankruptcy.

In the matter of Jay H. Nurburg, bankrupt. On the 8th day of May, A. D. 1907, on reconsidering the petition of the aforesaid bankrupt for discharge, filed on the 28th day of March, A. D. 1907, it is ordered by the court that a hearing be held upon the same on the 28th day of May, A. D. 1907, before said court at Covington, Ky., in said district at 2 o'clock, in the forenoon, or as near thereto as practicable, and notice thereof be published in the Louisa Sandy News, a newspaper printed in said district, and all known creditors and other persons in interest may appear at said time and place and show cause, if any they have, why the prayer of said petition should not be granted.

WITNESS the Honorable A. M. J. Cochran, Judge of said Court and the seal thereon, at Catlettsburg in said district, on the 8th day of May, A. D. 1907.

Joe C. Flinn, Clerk.  
By Ben M. Spears, D. C.

### The Final Summons.

Mrs. Melissa Gault, for several years a resident of Louisa, died at an early hour at her home on Main street, Monday. She had been in bad health for some time and the death of her son Robert about two weeks ago greatly affected her. The immediate cause of her death was acute bronchitis. Her body, accompanied by Paul Gault and two of her daughters, Mrs. James Barnes, of Owingsville, and Mrs. Dora Cook, was taken to Owingsville Monday and was buried there the following day.

Mrs. Gault was a woman of much force of character, and was related to many prominent families in Central Kentucky. She was 67 years old.

### Hail "Gentle" Spring.

And it responded to the invitation last Sunday afternoon in good shape. For about ten minutes hail fell thick and fast, but in this locality the stones were too small to do much damage. In many other parts of the State, however, much harm was done to vegetation.

Cards have been received in Louisa announcing the graduation of Miss Tina Jenkins, of the High School in Bartlett, Texas. Miss Jenkins was born here and it seems but a year or two since she was tiny Tina.

## TWO CHILDREN

Burned to Death at East Point,  
And Another Injured.

### HOME OF REV. SILAS SHORT DESTROYED.

Early on Thursday morning of this week the home of Rev. Silas Short was destroyed by fire at East Point, Johnson county and two of his children were burned to death. The members of the family were all asleep until the flames had almost entirely enveloped the house. The two children who were burned to death did not awaken and the room in which they slept was too far gone for other members of the family to rescue them.

Rev. Short is a preacher in the Christian Church. He formerly lived in Lawrence county and has a number of relatives here. All will be deeply grieved to hear of his great misfortune.

We have learned, since writing the above, that Mr. Short's oldest son was so badly burned that there is but little hope for his recovery. Nothing was saved from the house. Those who escaped did so with only their night clothing.

## FOUNTAIN PARK

Account of the Progress being  
Made at this Popular  
Pleasure Resort.

The News man had long desired to make a closer acquaintance with the beautiful spot which one of these days will be an exceedingly attractive place, and which is already budding and blooming in spring-dad attire, and when Attorney O'Neal and Maud S. drove up and wanted to know if he didn't want to take a drive out to Fountain Park the knight of the sciences and pastimes gave a hearty and hearty affirmative.

The newspaper man asked only the assurance of the lawyer follow - that Maud S. would neither fall down nor jump off the bridge. The guaranty was given and the three set out. You see by the bridge route if you decide to go in style. If you are not particular as to transportation you can roll up your - er, well the small boys can give you pointers on crossing, and the walking is fine. From Plein McHenry's look-out to where the park gate will be is about half a mile. For foot passengers a good board walk has been laid the whole way, and for riding or driving there is not a better bit of road anywhere. The motive power on the pleasant afternoon Mr. O'Neal and his guest made the trip landed her load inside the Park in a few delightful minutes, and it must be confessed that the grounds and their wonderful possibilities were a revelation. For instance take the fountain part of the business. The writer confidently asserts that are long there will be a large concrete basin from which will rise a jet of clear water, falling again in a spray of limpid coolness, beautiful and attractive.

It won't be a geyser or a second edition of the Fifth street park, Cincinnati, but it will be novel, for this region, and pretty. The source of the water, the via a tergo, as the professors would say, is a never-failing spring, not far off, and the fall from source to fountain is about fifteen feet, sufficient fall to throw a stream to a considerable height.

For drinking purposes there is a well of the coldest and purest water imaginable, and like some undesirable people it never dries up. The park grounds, some twenty acres, have been cleared of brush and weeds, the whole tract leveled where it should be level, grass seed has been used abundantly and is showing up nicely, and the trees set out last fall and this spring are beautifully green and thrifty.

There is half a mile of river front, and in the afternoon the shade of the old sycamores, the beeches, and the hickories along the bank will make it a delightful resort. From one end of the Park to the other, almost, there are shady nooks and coves in the ravine running zigzag through the grounds, and numerous clumps of trees here and there add to the attractiveness of the spot.

A portion of Fountain Park has been laid off in building lots, and more than half of these have been

sold. The sites are all that could be desired and they will be built upon.

The ball grounds and tennis court are spacious and fit. A grand stand will shortly be erected, making the resort even more attractive. And see here, boys, you're to get together and take a dose of ginger. There is no excellence without labor. Verbum sap, or words to that effect.

There will be built on a very desirable location a Tabernacle about 50 by 70 feet and of proper height, for public meetings. The first of these will be a camp meeting some time in July. Now, this isn't "perhaps." The material will shortly be on the ground and the preachers are engaged.

Much more could be written concerning Fountain Park, but this must suffice. Go over and see for ourselves, and be sure to get a Park ticket at the toll gate. This costs you nothing, but it helps the Park people. Your bridge toll will be your only expense now. The entire park is to be enclosed by a substantial fence, and then of course there will be a small gate fee. Numerous comfortable seats are scattered throughout the grounds. Many persons are already finding the Park a delightful place for a Sunday dinner.

Maud S. didn't fall down and she didn't jump off the bridge, otherwise these few lines might not have told the readers of the NEWS of the possibilities of the Park.

### James A. Hughes.

Hon. James A. Hughes, the Huntington Congressman, and a former Louisian was given a boost by the Catlettsburg Chamber of Commerce at a recent session, when it adopted a resolution recommending that Speaker Cannon appoint him to the Rivers and Harbors Committee of the House of Representatives.

The resolution follows:

"Whereas, the Hon. James A. Hughes, having had long and favorable experience as a member of Congress, during which time he has made the waterways of this great nation his special study; and

"Whereas, the retirement of the Hon. B. B. Doyner will leave the entire Ohio valley without a representative on the River and Harbor Committee, therefore, be it

"Resolved, by this chamber that we petition the Hon. Joseph Cannon, Speaker of the House, to appoint the Hon. James A. Hughes on the Rivers and Harbors Committee."

## TWO CENT FARE.

Railroads in West Virginia Now  
Have Lower Rates for  
Passengers.

The railroad fare from Louisa to Kenova is now fifty cents, a reduction of twenty cents. This is the result of West Virginia's new rate law, which went into effect on the 21st. The first tickets sold by the N. and W. at Kenova under this law were bought by a Louisa theater party returning from Huntington. It was a short time after twelve o'clock at night, and the law had been in effect only since the midnight hour.

It is now up to the C. and O. to meet this rate from Louisa to Catlettsburg.

### Sandy Hook Trials.

The case of Judge James, Senator Alex and Elbert Hargis, John Smith, John Abner and Ed Callahan, charged with the murder of Dr. B. D. Cox, on April 14, 1902, is set for trial next Monday at Sandy Hook, Elliott county. Cox's murder was the first of the series of 1902 and 1903, culminating with the death of James B. Marcum, and the later arrest of all the Hargises, Callahan, Curt Jett, Tom White, Smith, Abner, Britton and others. It is understood that the defense will answer ready if the Sandy Hook case is called and the accused will leave Lexington for Sandy Hook as soon as this trial is completed.

The Fallsburg fish refused to come in out of the wet last week. By hook or by crook—probably the latter—one of the gang captured two or three sunfish.

## FARMERS

Of This Section Have Many Un-  
improved Opportunities.

We sometimes wonder whether the farmers within a radius of fifteen miles of Louisa realize how many golden opportunities await their concerted efforts. They are not adjusting themselves to the new order of things as promptly as they should. The old plan of raising enough corn and potatoes to live on through the winter, and allowing the wife and daughters to gather in sufficient eggs to trade to the merchant for coffee and calico, has become obsolete with farmers possessed of any ambition whatever.

Two railroads have put us in touch with the markets of the world. All sorts of vegetables and garden truck could be sold here in unlimited quantities, if enough farmers would engage in this line to justify buyers to handle it. A car load of any product will sell when a bushel will not. There are firms in Louisa now that would buy and pay cash for all the garden truck they could get if the farmers would produce enough to give them a steady supply. But they can not handle it under present conditions because they cannot assure their customers of a steady supply.

A Big Sandy farmer now living in Missouri recently told us that the farmers around a certain small town there gave special attention to strawberries, producing enough to attract large buyers. Their receipts from this crop alone from a small territory around the town are \$45,000.00 per year. They cannot grow any better strawberries than we can. But they do grow a great many more than we do.

One farmer that we have personal knowledge of has faithfully carried out the practice of spraying his apple orchard. The result is the finest and largest crop of apples ever gathered around here from a like number and size of trees. They sold readily at fancy prices.

One farmer realized \$42.00 in cash per acre from tomatoes sold to the Louisa Canning Factory. Yet, it is next to impossible to contract enough acreage of tomatoes or beans to justify putting the factory into operation. And the years slip by, allowing ten thousand dollars per annum of the outside world's money to go elsewhere than to Lawrence county for canned tomatoes and beans. Worse than that, we send part of our small store of money away to buy canned tomatoes and beans, potatoes and cabbage, etc. One county in Indiana no larger than this keeps five canning factories busy, at prices to farmers one-third less than are offered here without taxes.

Just across the river from Louisa is a creamery. It has met the same fate. Not enough milk can be bought to run three hours per week. One county in Minnesota that we have in mind receives \$250,000.00 per annum for its creamery products, and it is not an exceptional one either.

Louisa is an absolutely unlimited egg and poultry market. It is surprising that regular poultry farms are not numerous around here. Statistics prove that a hen will make a profit of one dollar per year above her food and all other expenses. 1000 hens means \$1,000 clean cash per year.

These are all golden opportunities, awaiting those who are willing to fall in love with work and be faithful throughout the season. If the farmers would organize and concentrate their efforts along the same lines they could have money to throw at the birds in a few years.

### O'Brien Lodge.

If satisfactory arrangements can be made the Masonic Lodge of this city will soon have a home of its own. O'Brien Lodge No. 101, A. F. & A. M. was one of the first secret orders to be established in this city. Most of the charter members were natives of other states and men who had come with the building of the N. and W. and with the firm opinion that Williamson was some day to become a populous and thriving city. The lodge was named after William O'Brien, of Louisa, who was instrumental in its organization and one of the charter members—Mingo Republican.